

Update Sunnyvale News From Your City Manager

July 25, 2019

NOVA Awarded Largest Amount of Layoff-Based Funding in the State

For program year 2019-20, NOVA will receive \$1.45 million of layoff-based funding through the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), which represents the highest of all of the 45 workforce development areas in



the state. The purpose of "Rapid Response" funding, as it is known, is to enable affected workers to return to work as quickly as possible following a layoff, or to prevent layoffs altogether. While each local area receives baseline funding to conduct Rapid Response activities, almost half of the funding is reserved for areas where significant numbers of dislocation events occur. This region has experienced the largest disproportionate share of layoffs, at the same time, also has the lowest unemployment rate in the state. This dichotomy illustrates the volatile nature of this region's tech-based economy, where large layoffs occur regularly, as obsolete industries are replaced by new technologies, and workers must continually update their skills to be competitive. For more information about NOVA's Rapid Response activities, visit NOVA Business Services webpage.

Library Receives Grant for Staff Development

Sunnyvale Public Library has been awarded a grant of nearly \$1,000 to improve customer service to the LGBTQ community from the Pacific Library Partnership (PLP). The Library will partner with the Santa Clara County Office of LGBT Affairs to offer a workshop focused on appropriate terminology, the variety of gender identities and experiences, as well as best practices for providing mindful service to this diverse group.



PLP is a collaborative organization consisting of 43 library

systems ranging from Contra Costa County to San Benito County. The grant will allow Sunnyvale Public Library staff, and libraries throughout the Bay Area, to receive staff development opportunities that they would not normally be afforded.

Tobacco Free Sunnyvale Youth Operation

On Wednesday, July 10, The Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety Crime Prevention Unit conducted a tobacco decoy operation in attempt to purchase tobacco products sold to minors. This operation was conducted to decrease the number of Sunnyvale businesses that illegally sell tobacco products to minors. During the operation, a total of 20 businesses were contacted. All 20 of the businesses were



inspected by Neighborhood Resource Officers for proper display of licenses, self-service bans and window advertising regulations. Only one business was in violation and cited. For more information, please contact Lt. Jose Ramirez at <u>joramirez@sunnyvale.ca.gov</u>.

Know Your Limit

On Wednesday, June 26, members of Public Safety's Division of Traffic Safety participated in an educational event at the Downtown Music Series called "Know Your Limit." This program is a national program supported by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS). The program is a friendly engagement program aimed at educating the public on the effect of alcohol on the body.



Patrons of bars and restaurants were offered the opportunity to take a Field Sobriety Test and Preliminary Alcohol Screening. More than 200 people participated and were educated about the effects of alcohol on the body and how many "drinks" could push one over the legal limit.

For more information contact Lt. Hern in the Division of Traffic Safety at thern@sunnyvale.ca.gov.

Summer Teen Fitness Challenge

This summer, the Columbia Neighborhood Center partnered with the Palo Alto Medical Foundation (PAMF), to host a 4-week Summer Teen Fitness Challenge focused on health and fitness. Twenty Sunnyvale teens spent 1-2 hours, two days per week, working with a fitness trainer to build strength and endurance. In addition, they spent 2 hours per week with a PAMF nutritionist learning about healthy eating through hands-on cooking lessons. At the last session, participants received a certificate of completion and a



swag bag with an apron and a reusable water bottle. For more information on the Summer Teen Fitness Challenge, contact the Columbia Neighborhood Center at 408-730-7800.

NOVA Director Presents at Silicon Valley Women in Leadership Forum

On July 17, NOVA Director Kris Stadelman was invited to present on a panel at the inaugural multi-industry Silicon Valley Women in Leadership event, sponsored by UC Santa Cruz. The goal of the forum was to empower women at all stages in their career by engaging in conversations with women leaders about their stories, skills, and advice they used to navigate the equity challenges



they face in their respective professions. The panel was comprised of women representing technology, consulting and finance, education, government and venture funding.

Temporary Bay Trail Closures and Detour

As part of the Pump Station No. 1 Rehab Project, a temporary closure of the Bay Trail began on July 24. This closure is expected to be approximately two weeks in length. The trail will be temporarily reopened for two weeks following the sheet piling work and prior to the contractor excavating the levee that the Bay Trail runs on. A second closure is expected to last about eight weeks.



Bikes and pedestrians are being detoured onto Caribbean Drive during the closures. For more information, contact the Department of Public Works at 408-730-7605 or email pubworks@sunnyvale.ca.gov.

Mathilda 237 / 101 Project Update

Progress is being made on the VTA's Mathilda Avenue Improvements at SR 237 and US 101 Project. The next significant operation will take place in early August. This involves the permanent closure of Moffett Park Drive between Mathilda Avenue and Bordeaux Drive. Traffic will be routed north to use Innovation Way to access Mathilda Avenue. This closure is being made to reduce the number of traffic signals on Mathilda Avenue in this congested area. Following this closure, traffic exiting westbound 237 at Mathilda Avenue will be shifted onto what is now Moffett Park Drive.

For more information, please visit the VTA's Mathilda Avenue Improvements at SR 237 and US 101 project website or contact the



Department of Public Works at 408-730-7605 or email pubworks@sunnyvale.ca.gov.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS



Summer StoryWalk®

Thursday, August 8, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Ortega Park, 636 Harrow Way. Families are invited to take a stroll through Ortega Park and discover the pages of *Bear Likes Jam* by Ciara Gavin along the way. For more information, call 408-730-7800.



Sunset Movie Series – The Lego Movie 2: The Second Part

Friday, August 9, 7:45 p.m. at Columbia Middle School Pool, 739 Morse Ave. Families are invited to enjoy a free screening of *The Lego Movie 2: The Second Part* during our Sunset Movie Series. Bring blankets or chairs and arrive around 7:45 p.m., the movie starts at sunset. Space is limited on a first come, first served basis. For more information, call 408-730-7350.

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Affordable Housing Finance - June 26, 2019

Sunnyvale to hold workshops for residents who want a hand in drawing up election district maps

The Mercury News - July 13, 2019

Sunnyvale Seeks Input on Housing Strategy

The Silicon Valley Voice - July 17, 2019

Sunnyvale DPS Gets Go Ahead to Launch Drones

The Silicon Valley Voice - July 24, 2019

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